

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  CEDAR COMMUNICATIONS, L.L.C.	DOCKET NOS. TCU-99-26 TF-99-304
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**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION AND APPROVING TARIFF**

(Issued December 23, 1999)

On July 30, 1999, Cedar Communications, L.L.C. (Cedar), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, pursuant to IOWA CODE § 476.29 (1999). Cedar intends to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange service in the Stanwood and Lowden exchanges currently served by GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE). No objections were filed.

IOWA CODE § 476.29(2) (1999) provides that the local exchange carrier shall not be denied a certificate if the Board finds that the applicant "possesses the technical, financial, and managerial ability to provide the service it proposes to render and the board finds the service is consistent with the public interest." The Board has carefully reviewed Cedar's application and finds Cedar has the technical, financial, and managerial ability to provide local exchange service. It is in the public interest to grant a certificate to Cedar.

Cedar stated it concurs with the local exchange boundary maps of GTE for the exchanges listed, which are currently on file with the Board. Cedar stated to the

extent the maps are changed by GTE in the future, it will adopt all changes. Cedar also stated it will make available a 2-PIC methodology for intraLATA and interLATA calling.

On October 27, 1999, Cedar filed with the Board a proposed tariff, identified as TF-99-304. The tariff filing is in substantial compliance with the Board's rules on tariffs and will be approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity filed by Cedar Communications, L.L.C., on July 30, 1999, identified as Docket No. TCU-99-26, is granted. A certificate will issue simultaneously with this order.
2. Cedar's concurrence in GTE Midwest Incorporated's exchange maps for Stanwood and Lowden, Iowa is approved.
3. Cedar's proposed tariff, filed on October 27, 1999, and identified as TF-99-304, is approved, effective the date of this order.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 1999.